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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR YEAR

1943.

BOROUGH of PEMBROKE.

TOWN COUNCIL.

URBAN SANITARY AUTHORITY.

Mayor.

F.W.Tucker, Esq.

Deputy Mayor.

T.W.Colley, Esq.

Aldermen.

Mr. Geo. Brown.	..	Mr. John Hay.
Mr. W.G.Munro.	..	Mr. W.J.Gwilliam.
Mr. W.J.Phillips.	..	Mr. F.W.Tucker.

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Mr. John Gwyther	...	Mr. J.R.Williams
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Town Clerk	Mr. Owen F.Lowless
Deputy Town Clerk	Mr. Ernest Jeff
Borough Surveyor	Mr. W.B.Kavanagh
Chief Financial Officer	Mr. E.M.Nottage
Sanitary Inspector	Mr. C.R.Sandell
Medical Officer of Health	Dr. D.Stewart.

BOROUGH of PEMBROKE

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THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

For the year 1943.

To :- His Worship the Mayor and Corporation of the Borough of Pembroke.

Gentlemen,

I beg to submit my Annual Report on the health of the Borough for the year 1943.

Births.	Live Births.	Male.	Female.
	Legitimate.	90	79
	Illegitimate.	9	10

Total births - 188.

There were 9 still births.

Deaths.	Males.	Females.	Total.
	83	68	151.

The deaths from all causes were :-

	Males.	Females.
Puerperal Sepsis.	-	1
Births etc.	4	6
Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System.	4	1
Syphillitic Diseases.	1	-
Influenza.	3	4
Measles.	-	-
Polio Myelitis.	-	-
Cancer.	8	8
Diabetes.	1	1
Cerebral Haemorrhage.	7	10
Heart Disease.	19	11
Other Circulatory Diseases.	1	1
Bronchitis.	5	7
Pneumonia.	-	3
Other Respiratory Diseases.	1	-
Other Digestive Diseases.	3	1
Nephritis.	2	4
Accident - Road Traffic.	3	-
Other Violence.	1	-
All other causes.	17	9
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum.	3	-
Diarrhoea (under 2 years).	-	1
Totals.	83	68

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES (OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS) DURING THE YEAR.

Disease.	Total Notified.	Admitted to Hospital.	Deaths.
Scarlet Fever.	8	7	-
Whooping Cough.	28	-	-
Diphtheria.	17	17	-
Erysipelas.	2	-	-
Measles.	1	-	-
Pneumonia.	10	-	3

INFANTILE MORTALITY.

No. of deaths under one year - 12.

TUBERCULOSIS.

The arrangements for the diagnosis and treatment of Tuberculosis is undertaken by the King Edward VII Welsh National Association. Dr. Ivor A. Williams, the Tuberculosis Physician, attends and examines all cases referred to him at the following centre :-

Woodbine House Hospital, Pembroke - Fridays at 10.30. a.m.

TUBERCULOSIS.

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY DURING THE YEAR 1943.

Age Groups.	New Cases.				Deaths.			
	Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.		Respiratory.		Non-Respiratory.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
0.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
15.	4	2	-	1	-	-	-	-
25.	3	3	1	-	-	-	-	-
35.	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
45.	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
55.	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
65 & upwards	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals.	12	5	2	2	4	1	-	-

Disinfection of premises vacated by Tuberculosis Patients, by reason of removal, is undertaken by the Sanitary Inspector.

There is a part-time Medical Officer of Health and one whole-time Sanitary Inspector. Both act as Sanitary Inspectors.

GENERAL NURSING.

General Nursing is undertaken by 2 District Nurses who are employed by the District Nursing Association. There is also one Private Midwife available at Pembroke.

The position would be considered satisfactory if an additional Trained Nurse was appointed and resided at Pembroke.

HOSPITALS.

Tuberculosis :- Sealyham Hospital, with 30 beds, is available for advanced Pulmonary cases, and Kensington Hospital, St. Brides, with 110 beds, for Surgical Tuberculosis.

Infectious Diseases :- Cases are admitted to the Infectious Diseases Hospital at Begelly.

General :- There are two hospitals in the area - The Cottage Hospital, Pembroke, and Woodbine Emergency Hospital, Pembroke.

At Woodbine Hospital, most types of cases can be accepted and much use has been made of this hospital by the residents of the Borough.

Two Maternity Wards are available with accommodation for 8 cases.

AMBULANCES.

Besides the Ambulances at the County Hospital and Begelly Isolation Hospital, the Civil Defence Ambulances, stationed within the Borough, are available for urgent cases.

The Red Cross Ambulance at Pembroke Dock is also at the disposal of cases needing medical and surgical treatment.

WATER SUPPLY.

The water supply, which is drawn from Milton New Spring and other springs within the Borough, is adequate and satisfactory.

MILK SUPPLY.

The milk supplies within the Borough are analysed periodically and maintain a fairly high standard of purity.

FOOD.

There appears to be no lack of food in the district and the variety available must be considered satisfactory under war-time conditions. There appears to be a good supply of vegetables in the District.

Ample supplies of milk, orange and black-currant juices, cod-liver oil, etc., are obtainable, and pregnant women get priority in respect of milk and other foods.

POST-WAR HOUSING.

The programme has received attention by the Council, and will be ready for action when the time arrives.

DRAINAGE, SEWERAGE AND REFUSE COLLECTION.

The Sanitary Inspector has been asked to make his Report on these matters.

I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to the Council for their courtesy and support, to the Deputy Town Clerk for his great help, and to the Sanitary Inspector for his assistance.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

L. STEWART.

Medical Officer of Health.

Municipal Offices,
Pembroke.

September 1944.

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ANNUAL REPORT

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THE SANITARY INSPECTOR.

for the year
1943.

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Pembroke,

Gentlemen,

I submit herewith my Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1943.

COMPLAINTS.

During the year a number of complaints of NUISANCES were received, and the appropiate action taken in each case.

DAIRIES, COWSHEDS AND MILKSHOPS.

The number of Cowkeepers, Dairymen and Purveyors registered in the Borough was 54. 41 of these were producer-retailers, 26 being in the Borough and 15 outside the Borough. Of the producers inside the Borough, 3 were licensed to produce Tuberculin Tested Milk, and of those outside the Borough, 1 was licensed to produce Tuberculin Tested Milk and one to produce Accredited Milk. One Accredited licence was revoked during the year.

During the year, 1 producer-retailer ceased retailing and 1 producer of Tuberculin Tested Milk transferred his premises from the Borough to the Rural District.

The position at the end of the year was as follows :-

	Borough.	Rural.	Total.
Producer-retailers.	24	16	40
T.T.Producers	2	2	4
Accredited Producers.	0	0	0

710 Samples of Milk were taken during the year.

COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE.

During the year refuse was collected in each Ward by a Contractor, and was disposed of by means of tipping. There are three tips in Pater Ward, and three in Pembroke Ward, making a total of six in the Borough.

SHOP ACTS.

During the year no action was taken under Section 10 of the Shops Act, 1934.

PUBLIC BATHS.

There are no Public Baths or Public Swimming Pools in the Borough.

VERMIN.

1 house was found to be infested with vermin, and was successfully cleared.

RATS.

22 complaints of rats were received, and advice and poisoned baits were given in each case. In addition, extensive preparations were made in the latter half of the year for the launching of the Council's rodent campaign early in 1944.

OVERCROWDING.

No change took place with regard to the overcrowding situation, and the number of houses which were overcrowded remained, so far as I am aware, at 40.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

26 disinfections were carried out after cases of Diphtheria and Scarlet Fever.

MARKETS AND SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

The Pembroke Dock Market was held each Friday and during the year 15 inspections were made.

The Public Abattoir at Bufferland was the only licensed slaughterhouse in the Borough, and the slaughtering was under the control of the Ministry of Food. Regular inspections were carried out, 152 being made during the year.

1,577 cattle, 6,321 calves, 1,235 sheep and 383 pigs were slaughtered during the year. The meat and offal condemned totalled 24,791 lbs. Whole carcases of 28 cattle, 5 sheep and 2 pigs are included in this figure.

FACTORIES.

The number of factories in the Borough was 75, 45 being in the Pater Ward and 30 in the Pembroke Ward. Of these 16 were bakehouses.

One factory inspection was made during the year.

HOUSING.

During the year the work of the War Damage Department proceeded. First Aid repairs were carried out to 129 premises, 2nd stage repairs were carried out to 301 premises, and 13 G(b) houses were completed. The position at the end of the year was as follows :-

First Aid Repairs.	2nd Stage Repairs.	c(b)Repairs.
1,916.	1,872.	13.

Further details are included in the tabulated statement at the end of this report.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

There are thirteen premises in the Borough registered for use in connection with the sale and manufacture of Ice-cream; but at present the manufacture of Ice-cream is prohibited. 23 premises were registered for the preparation or manufacture of sausages, or potted pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale.

The Food and Drugs Authority for the Borough is the Pembrokeshire County Council, and the sampling is done mainly by the Police.

SAMPLES TAKEN.

Butter	1
Cheese	1
Lard	1
Margarine	1
Milk	31
Total	35

The above samples all proved to be genuine.

DRAINAGE WORK.

During the year work on the drainage conversion scheme proceeded slowly, and approximately 32 houses were converted to the water carriage system, and approximately 47 houses were connected to the Public Sewer, making a total of 79. The approximate number of Sanitary Comveniences in the Borough is as follows :-

	W.C's.	Pail Closets.	Privies.
Pater.	1760	400	50
Pembroke.	675	200	175

I append a tabular statement which shows the work of the department in greater detail.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

C.R.SANDELL., M.R.San.I., M.S.I.A.

Sanitary Inspector.

Municipal Offices,
Pembroke Dock.
November 1944.

SUPPLEMENT TO ANNUAL REPORT 1943.

TABULATED STATEMENT

COMPLAINTS.

Received and investigated	99.
Action	99.

SLAUGHTERHOUSES.

Number on register	1.

MARKETS.

Inspections	15.

UNSOUND FOOD.

From Slaughterhouse	24,791 lbs.
From other places	5,702 lbs.

DAIRIES; COWSHEDS, AND MILKSHOPS.

Number on register	54.
Producer - retailers	40.
Wholesale producers	14.
Premises within Borough	38.
Number of inspections	55.

MILK SAMPLES.

Taken	710.

DISINFECTION AFTER DIPHTHERIA AND SCARLET FEVER.

Premises	26.

FACTORIES.

Number of Factories excluding Bakehouses	59.
Number of Bakehouses	16.
Inspections	1.

FOOD & DRUGS ACT.

Number of premises registered for the sale or for the manufacture of Ice-cream	13.
Number of premises registered for the preparation of preserved food etc	23.
Inspections	3.

HOUSING STATISTICS, 1943.

1. **INSPECTION OF DWELLINGHOUSES DURING THE YEAR.**

(i) a. Total number of dwellinghouses inspected for housing defects (under P.H.A. or Housing Acts) ..... 34.

b. Number of inspections made for the purpose ..... 87.

(ii) a. Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected under the Housing Acts..... Nil.

b. Number of inspections made for the purpose..... Nil.

(iii) Number of houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation..... Nil.

(iv) Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation..... 19.

2. REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE.

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers..... 7.

3. ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR.

A. Proceedings under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936.

(i) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring repairs. Nil.

(ii) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit, after service of formal notice. (a) by owners Nil (b) by Local Authority in default of owners Nil.

B. Proceedings under the Public Health Act.

(i) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which formal notices were served requiring defects to be remedied..... Nil.

(ii) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied, after service of formal notices

(a) by owners..... Nil.

(b) by Local Authority in default of owners..... Nil.